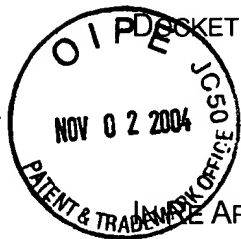


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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 2, 2004 in the above-identified application. Applicants petition the Commissioner for a 2-month extension of time. A separate petition accompanies this amendment.